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Confirmation No. : 4283

Applicant : Vishnu K. Agarwal

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Attorney Docket No.: 501082.16

Art Unit : 2825

Customer No. : 27,076

Examiner : Caridad Everhart

Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A  
CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE

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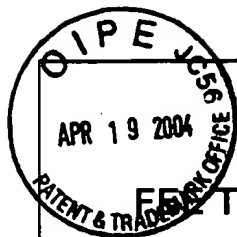
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1. BASIC FILING FEE	
Large Entity	Small Entity
Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1001	770
1002	340
1003	530
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1005	160
2001	385
2002	170
2003	265
2004	385
2005	80
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES	
Current Claims	Prior
Total 24	24
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Multiple Dependent Claims	
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1204	86
1205	18
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2203	145
2204	43
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES	
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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